

**ST. AUGUSTINE-PALM COAST NAVY LEAGUE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 11, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the St. Augustine-Palm Coast Navy League Council met at Christ the King Anglican Church. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by President Patrick McCormack.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Sally Watson, Patrick McCormack, Ken Moffa, Lee & Diana Figliuolo, Bill Dudley, Rick Myers, Jim Golomb, Jack Hinsch, Luc Lausier, C. Caviness, John Leslie, Lee Spancake, Dee & Bill Hamm, George & Ellie Grech, Larry & Sherryl Mull, Doug Lileks, Jana Teehan, Garry Cohn, Ian Pollitt, Dave & Jane Singleton, Joe Giamannco

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Patrick McCormack led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Mike Zollar gave the invocation.

NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS: Luc Lausier was introduced. He is in the process of joining our council. His son is in the Coast Guard in New Jersey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: In the absence of the Treasurer, Bill Dudley reported that all bills have been paid. In the Operating Account we have \$9,687.36 and the Bobbitt account has \$33,466.17. All taxes have been paid. \$1,130 has been collected in local dues. Motion was made and seconded. Motion carried.

MILITARY AFFAIRS: Ian Pollitt and liaisons reported on their units.

BLOUNT ISLAND COMMAND - 1 Sgt. Gragg is now in command.

USS SULLIVANS - Garry Cohn has SOQ and SOY awards on March 25 time is 10AM, but subject to change. Garry would like to have a nice turnout.

USS FARRAGUT - Awaiting a date for their awards

USCGC VALIANT - Sally Watson reported we are invited to a Family Cruise on March 20.

USCGC SAWFISH - has been switched with USCGC HERON

USCGC RIDLEY - Dave & Jane Singleton had no report

USCGC HAMMER - No Report

USCGC - MARIA BRAY - Jared Whetstone will be the new liaison replacing Jerry Cameron

CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION - They wanted to set up a Unit Coin Program. We voted to give them \$500 to help them get their program started. Coast Guard Legal Department is reviewing the matter.

COAST GUARD SMALL UNIT AWARDS - Ian Pollitt and Dave & Jane Singleton will begin planning for the awards ceremony.

SENATOR RICK SCOTT - Ian Pollitt has been in contact with Gary Hollis who will be our contact as the Senator's office gets set up.

YOUTH AFFAIRS - Joe Giammanco St. Augustine JROTC will have annual awards on March 30. Limited seating so no opportunity for Navy League members to go. Nease High School will be in May and members may attend that event. No word from the other two schools for dates.

Sea Cadets - Cadets recently went repelling at Camp Blanding. Annual Inspection was held the prior weekend. St. Augustine Sea Cadets scored 89.58% which is the highest score in the area. Nationwide the score is low to mid 70's. Currently, there are 52 Sea Cadets.

MEMBERSHIP - Don Manson, a former member, is rejoining. He spoke about his career and his time with the Sea Cadets. He also had been the liaison for the Valiant.

COMMUNICATIONS - Lee Figliuolo reminded the members the Bosun's Locker is due at the end of March.

GOLF TOURNAMENT - This year's golf tournament is October 28, 2019. It will be at Grand Haven for the next two years.

GUEST SPEAKER - CDR. Matthew Waldron addressed our membership.

NEW BUSINESS:

APRIL MEETING - April 8th at the Emergency Management Center.

REGION MEETING - Bill Dudley attended the regional meeting. There was discussion about giving electronic membership to all active duty spouses. New Executive Director is Mike Stevens, former Master Chief of the Navy. Sr. VP of Field Service Operations, Gerald Saunder, retired Marine Corps, Sgt. Major. Bill said this is the best leadership he has seen in many years.

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ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7 PM.

Sally Watson, Secretary
St. Augustine-Palm Coast Navy League Council